

# HOUSE BILL No. 1518

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## DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

**Citations Affected:** IC 2-5-28.

**Synopsis:** Joint commission on technology issues. Establishes the joint legislative technology and science commission made up of the members of the senate and house of representatives standing committees that exercise jurisdiction over technology matters. The commission expires on November 1, 2006.

**Effective:** July 1, 2003.

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**Welch, Hasler, Murphy, Ripley**

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January 16, 2003, read first time and referred to Committee on Technology, Research and Development.

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First Regular Session 113th General Assembly (2003)

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning the general assembly.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

1 SECTION 1. IC 2-5-28 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS  
2 A **NEW** CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY  
3 1, 2003]:

4 **Chapter 28. Joint Commission on Technology and Science**

5 **Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "commission" refers to the joint**  
6 **commission on technology and science established under section 2**  
7 **of this chapter.**

8 **Sec. 2. The joint commission on technology and science is**  
9 **established.**

10 **Sec. 3. The commission shall do the following:**

- 11 (1) **Study the impact of existing statutes and proposed**  
12 **legislation related to technology and science in Indiana.**  
13 (2) **Advise the general assembly and governor upon matters**  
14 **related to technology and science.**  
15 (3) **Investigate, research, and consider such issues related to**  
16 **technology and science as may be requested by the legislative**  
17 **council.**



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(4) Solicit input from appropriate entities, public or private, on matters related to technology and science under the commission's consideration.

(5) Encourage research and development in technology and science.

(6) Coordinate its efforts with and assist the efforts of other agencies, authorities, and institutions of the state.

(7) Accept private or public funds to carry out its purposes.

**Sec. 4. The commission has the following voting membership:**

(1) The members of the standing committee of the senate that, in the opinion of the president pro tempore of the senate, has significant jurisdiction over technology related matters.

(2) The members of the standing committee of the house of representatives that, in the opinion of the speaker of the house of representatives, has significant jurisdiction over technology related matters.

**Sec. 5. The chairman of the legislative council shall annually appoint the chairperson of the commission. The term of the chairperson of the commission ends when a new chairperson is appointed.**

**Sec. 6. The commission shall operate under the policies governing study committees adopted by the legislative council.**

**Sec. 7. The affirmative votes of a majority of the voting members appointed to the commission are required for the commission to take action on any measure, including final reports.**

**Sec. 8. This chapter expires November 1, 2006.**

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